

TORRANCE, IHS DIVIDE DOUBLEHEADER

Cooke-Poynter Duel In Prelims

Hot Race At Santa Monica

An anticipated duel between Torrance's Gary Cooke and Bob Poynter, Pasadena High sprint ace, will highlight local prep participation in the first CIF preliminary meets, scheduled Saturday afternoon at Santa Monica and Long Beach.

Eleven Tartar spikers will travel to the Santa Monica affair, while seven North High tracksters will go to their division of the CIF merry-go-round at Long Beach Poly High.

Some of the toughest prep leagues around, including the Bay League, of which Torrance is a member, and Foothill League will be entered at Samohi.

Poynter, who is defending state 220 yards with a top full long mark of 20.9, will possibly face Torrance's Cooke in a 220 heat. If winners are matched against winners, seconds against seconds, etc., this would be the case, Gary won both sprints in the Bay League finals last week at Inglewood, while Poynter took both sprints in the Foothill finale.

Cooke's best time is 21.7, with a 21.5 also posted this year, but it was aided by the wind. Just how fast the angular speedster can step is not known, since he is undefeated and has yet to be pressed.

The Tartar Varsity relay team of Gary and Duane Cooke, Skip Smith and Tom Brown also will enter the prelims. Smith also will participate in the broad jump, while John Treanor, miler, will be the only other Tartar to Varsity entry.

Sophomore Len Ehlers, who is threatening Lou Zamperini's TEIS school mark of 3:17.9 in the Class B 1320-yard run, may do it Saturday. An exception distance man for a soph, Ehlers set a Bay League record in winning the three-lap race at Inglewood. He was timed in his best-to-date of 3:18.2.

He will be the only Class B entry for Torrance, while the Tartar four-man 440-yard relay team of George Boscon, Gary Von Steeg, Denny Lupin and Jim Patrick will be out to take the C Class event. They ran 46.1 last week in capturing the Bay League title.

Shot-putter Bill Morris, who has tossed a Bay League record best of 51'1 1/2", will also enter the Cee competition. Boscon has also qualified for the Cee 100.

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New League Proposed

Persons interested in forming another Babe Ruth League in Torrance, which will act as a minor league to the present eight-team loop, met Friday at the YWCA to map their plans.

A spokesman for the group said the league is seeking land at the Municipal Airport for construction of a field. Longren Alrcraft and Hi-Shear Ryet Co. own the land and have tentatively agreed to donate the parcel for the diamond, the official said.

Work on the diamond will be started as soon as the land is donated in order to have the field in shape for the May 26 opening date.

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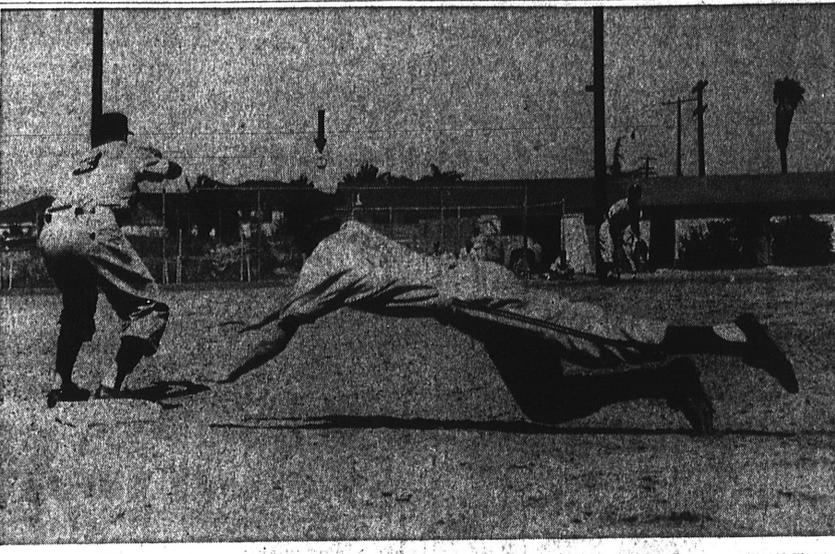
Beverly Hills got four hits Tuesday in a Pioneer League game but still managed to top visiting North High, 8-2.

Don Anderson, George Foutts and Little Ev Harris allowed the Normans only a quartet of safeties. But four errors afield by the Saxons helped the winners along to the victory.

Today, providing the field is dry enough, Coach Del Nurnum's Saxons entertain El Segundo in a league game. Either Ernie Thomsen or Bob Skinner will start on the mound for the North High gang in the 3 p.m. encounter.

North High (2)		AB	R	H	E
Beckett, cf	3	0	1	0	
Simpson, ss	4	0	1	1	
Anderson, p-1b	3	0	1	0	
Fittinger, rf	3	0	0	0	
Thomsen, 3b	3	1	2	1	
Bledsoe, c	2	1	1	0	
Wyley, 2b	3	0	1	1	
Griehaber, lf	2	0	0	1	
Boide, 1b	0	0	0	0	
Foutts, p	0	0	0	0	
Harris, p	2	0	0	0	
Totals	26	3	7	4	

Beverly Hills (8)		AB	R	H	E
Gamble, cf	4	1	0	0	
Rosenkrantz, ss	3	1	1	0	
Gluckman, rf	1	2	1	0	
Polesky, 3b	3	2	0	0	
Cohen, 2b	4	2	0	0	
Blair, lf	2	0	0	0	
Mills, c	2	0	0	0	
Brownstein, 1b	1	0	0	0	
Rolap, p	3	0	0	0	
Totals	23	8	4	0	



HUSTLING BACK... Russ Vanderpool, Tartar shortstop, dives for bag in effort to avoid being picked off first base by Inglewood hurler Marty Fortson. He made it too, just by beating ball (arrow) before Sentinel First Baseman Bill

Horn grabbed it. Action took place at Torrance Park Monday as Torrance divided key Bay League double bill with league-leading Inglewood. Tartars walloped Sentinels, 9-2, in first game, but were edged, 4-3, in tight second contest.

SC Mentor At School Fete

Jess Mortenson, head track coach of the SC's national championship Trojan track squad for the past three years, will be the main speaker at the annual Father-and-Son Banquet to be held at Narbonne High School May 31.

The banquet is sponsored by the Narbonne Lettermen's Club. Tickets, \$1.75 for father-and-son, may be purchased from Narbonne coaches.

Moir Tosses Win; Mills Victimized

Inglewood's Bay League leaders and the Tartars split an important double header here Monday and the even break just about stifled any hopes of Torrance ending up on top of the heap with just a week left in the season.

After the first game, the Tartars were sporting a 6-3

won-lost mark for league play. Inglewood was at 6-2 and riding a two-game losing streak.

But the Sentinels' Jerry Montgomery and Tom Mills, Torrance's ace righthander, locked up in a tight duel following intermission with Montgomery surviving with the win.

In the first fray, Sophomore Righthander Paul Moir twirled a neat four-hitter in stopping the potent Sentinel bats. Moir, who was moved up to the Tartar Varsity from the Jayvees just a few weeks ago, now has tossed 21 innings for the Varsity and allowed only two earned runs. Neither of the Inglewood club's two tallies was a earned Monday.

Don Patera, Sentinel hurler, was greeted by a single by Tartar Second Baseman Charley Valencia in the first. Then Patera walked five in a row before giving way to Marty Fortson. After the smoke cleared, the Tartars had seven runs in that big first frame.

They set solo tallies in the second and third, too, and coasted in with the win.

Moir, a slim lad who tosses all kinds of trick stuff, had the Sentinels eating out of his hand. He only got in trouble in the sixth when the losers got both their runs and only then because of some sloppy infield play by the Tartars.

Mills, who hasn't been backed up with solid hitting most of the time this season, faced the same trouble. He gave up just three hits to Inglewood in his losing cause, but his mates failed to piece together a ny threat after they once fell behind.

Only real blow off, him was a fourth inning homer by Inglewood's Bill Horn. Other than that, two walks and an error, plus a couple of fielder's choices caused the real damage.

Torrance scored once in the first on hits by Valencia and Bob Clifford and once in the third. But Inglewood got three in the third to go ahead for good.

Jes Hanon replaced Mills in that hectic third inning and tossed hitless ball the rest of the way.

In the final inning, the Tartars tried to pull the game out, but with the two tying runs on Clifford whiffed to end the fracas.

Coach Dave Dana's Tartars take today off, then face Mira Coast here Tuesday before ending the season next Thursday with Centennial.

First Game		AB	R	H	E
Torrance (9)					
Valencia, 2b	4	2	2	0	
Grajeda, c	2	1	1	0	
Clifford, cf	3	1	0	0	
Bertolet, 3b	2	2	0	0	
Venable, lf	3	1	0	0	
Trepanier, rf	0	1	0	0	
Crenshaw, 1b	1	1	0	0	
Watkins, 1b	1	0	0	0	
Vanderpool, ss	3	0	1	2	
Moir, p	2	0	0	0	
Totals	21	9	5	2	

Second Game		AB	R	H	E
Torrance (2)					
Valencia, 2b, ss	3	1	1	0	
Grajeda, c	1	0	0	0	
Ray Vanderpool, c	3	0	0	0	
Clifford, cf	4	0	1	0	
Bertolet, 3b	3	0	0	0	
Venable, lf	3	0	1	0	
Herman, rf	1	0	0	0	
Crenshaw, 1b	0	0	0	0	
Watkins, 1b	0	0	0	0	
Russ Vanderpool, ss	1	0	0	0	
Smith, 2b	1	0	0	0	
Emery, 3b	1	0	0	0	
Mills, p	1	1	1	0	
Hanon, p	2	1	1	0	
Totals	27	2	4	2	

Inglewood (4)		AB	R	H	E
Courtney, 2b	2	1	0	0	
Olesiewicz, cf	3	1	0	0	
Adams, ss	2	0	0	0	
Thompson, rf	3	0	0	0	
Wolf, rf	2	0	0	0	
Cabray, c	3	0	0	0	
Horn, 1b	2	0	1	0	
DePosich, 3b	2	0	0	0	
Montgomery, p	2	1	0	0	
Totals	23	4	3	1	

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Prep Gridders Launch Spring Drills Monday

Spring football practice begins Monday for Torrance high schools, with the two local prep elevens set to spend 20 days working on fundamentals at plays.

Torrance High, Jack Miller will take over as head coach and said he will head coach about 50 aspirants when the Tartars launch drills at 2 p.m. Miller, who was Varsity assistant coach last season to Don Porter, was moved up when Porter recently announced his resignation.

Miller will be assisted in the drills by Dick Turner, who will be added to the THS coaching staff next fall.

The Tartars will use the split T again next fall and Miller said he will spend most of the drills getting the gridders used to a new system of signal calling.

Over at North High, Coach Cliff Graybehl expects about 40 boys to turn out for drills. Although he has been strictly a single wing exponent in the past, Graybehl said Monday he may try out the T and a few other offensive variations during the practices.

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WALKER'S NO-HITTER PACES LITTLE LOOP OPENERS HERE

Opening day in the Torrance National and American Little League at Plaza del Amo park last Saturday found the Cardinals topping the Braves, 14-5, in the National and the Pirates bombing the Dodgers by a 21-1 count in the American.

Pre-game ceremonies at the park were highlighted by comments from Mayor Al Isen and Councilman Nick Draie and the introduction of teams by National League President George Cambon and American League President Paul Roettger, Haslam To Hunt.

Chief of Police Willard H. Haslam was asked to launch the 1956 season by throwing the first ball to starting pitcher Mark Hunt of the Braves.

Ray Wilson, pitching for the

Cardinals in the National opener, practically won his own game by hitting a two-run homer on his first trip to the plate.

The American League half of the double-header found Ray Walker of the Pirates pitching a no-hitter as his club beat the Dodgers.

Same Old Yankee

On Sunday the National Yankees tallied their first win by a 17-3 count over the Stars.

In the American League the Giants clipped the Tigers by a 7-1 margin behind the two-hit pitching of young Irv Palca.

A Monday evening game in the National between the Cardinals and the Braves was called due to darkness with the teams all tied up at 5-5.

Border's, Unionmen Blast Out Wins In City Softball Openers

City League softball opened with two games last Monday evening at Torrance Park with Potter's #218 vs. National Guard.

Bill Boal of Border's had a big night at the plate with three hits and four runs in five at bats for a .600 average.

Don Merrill and Don Thompson walloped the big bats for Local 218 as they each had two hits in three trips to the plate.

Complete schedule for the Recreation Department's City League follows:

FIRST ROUND	
May 14	Gladding McBean vs. Rome Cable
May 15	Potter's #218 vs. Longren
May 16	National Guard vs. Pittsburg
May 17	Border's vs. Aiden
May 18	Pittsburg vs. Gladding McBean

Aiden vs. Longren, May 23

Potter's #218 vs. National Guard, July 4

Rome Cable vs. Border's, May 28

National Guard vs. Longren, May 30

Gladding McBean vs. Potter's #218, June 4

Border's vs. Aiden, June 4

National Guard vs. Rome Cable, June 4

Pittsburg vs. Gladding McBean, June 4

Longren vs. National Guard, June 11

Border's vs. Potter's #218, July 18